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GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE By Ron Petersen, Sr.



Our official club visits are stacking up ... at the beginning of October we have visited 46 clubs in the district. We are finding a warm welcome wherever we go. Thank You!

It's time to FOCUS on October which is Rotary's "Vocational Service Month". Rotarians are encouraged to focus on this essential element of Rotary. Vocational Service means:

- Adherence to, and promotion of, the highest ethical standards in all occupations, including fair treatment of employers, employees, associates, competitors, and the public.
- The recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations, not just your own or those that are pursued by Rotarians.
- The contribution of your vocational talents to solving the problems of society and meeting the needs of the community.

Some ideas for your club:

Devote a meeting in October to examining the second Avenue of Service, including The 4-Way Test and The Declaration of Rotarians in Business and the Professions. After expanding members' awareness, solicit their input in planning projects for the remainder of the year.

Introduce a "mini-classifications talk" series in which each member gives a five minute talk on his or her vocation. *(continued on page 2)*

SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS CHOSEN FOR 2009-2010

One Ambassadorial Scholarship in the amount of \$25,000 was awarded to John Grisham, sponsored by the Siloam Springs Rotary Club in Siloam Springs, Arkansas.

One Kirchner Scholarship in the amount of \$18,000 was awarded to Ian Reutlinger of Muskogee, Oklahoma.

Two applicants were interviewed for the University Teacher Grant and Mary Odima, Bentonville, Arkansas is the recipient of a \$12,500 grant for 3-5 months of study. Mary elected to study at Daystar University in Nairobi, Kenya.

HIGHLIGHTING VOCATIONAL SERVICE MONTH

Participation in RI and Foundation programs can enhance a Rotary club's Vocational Service efforts. Consider the following:

1. Rotary Volunteers
2. Group Study Exchange
3. Humanitarian Programs
4. Rotary Fellowships
5. Open World

RESOURCES

RI Website.....

Vocational Service section

Vocational in Community

Menu of Service Opportunities

Contact RI Programs

Division staff with your questions.



SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

MESSAGE continued

Schedule one speaker for the beginning of each meeting until everyone has made a presentation. The purpose: promote vocational awareness among Rotarians and help them recognize the worthiness of all useful occupations.

Present a vocational award to someone in the community who has exemplified outstanding professional achievement while maintaining very high ethical standards. Promote the presentation within the community, and consider making it an annual October event.

Invite experts to give a presentation on the vocational needs of the community and develop a project in response to those needs. Possible projects could focus on developing character, providing career information to youth, mentoring small businesses, or organizing workshops that provide employees with new skills. >>>>>>>>>>

PRESIDENTIAL CITATION:

Every club should be able to do the requirements for this citation. This is a great project for your President-Elect. The goal is for 100% of the clubs in District 6110 achieving this citation! >>>>>>>>>>

Does everyone in your club have a **New Member Proposal Card**? If not, walk around to every table a couple times a month to see if anyone needs one, or two! >>>>>>>>>>

REGISTER NOW for the RI Convention on Birmingham, England, June 21-24, 2009 at www.rotary.org. Club Presidents are asked to promote the RI Convention from the podium.

RECOGNIZE A ROTARY VOLUNTEER WHO IS NOT A ROTARIAN, BUT HELPS WITH YOUR CLUB PROJECTS.

Ambassadorial Scholarship: John Grisham resides in Siloam Springs, Arkansas, and attends Vanderbilt University in Nashville, Tennessee.

John's course of study is medicine, health and society. John does volunteer work for Vanderbilt Volunteer for Science (VSVS), teaching a middle school science class. John has selected the University of Sydney, Australia to pursue a Masters in International Public Health.

Kirchner Scholarship: Ian Reutlinger resides in Muskogee, Oklahoma and is a sophomore at Oklahoma State University.

Ian's course of study is Physiology. His long-range goal is to become a pediatric neurosurgeon. Ian does volunteer work with the Ark of Faith, a homeless shelter and he also works weekly with disabled children at the Turning Point, a therapeutic riding center in Stillwater, Oklahoma. Ian has selected the University College Cork in Cork, Ireland to study Biology.

University Teacher Grant: Mary Odima resides in Bentonville, Arkansas. She is Director of Student Activities at Northwest Arkansas Community College. She is also an adjunct faculty teaching leadership fundamentals courses and is teaching psychology at this time.

Mary is currently working on a doctoral program in Educational Psychology .

Mary has elected to study at Daystar University, Nairobi, Kenya from August 2009 to December 2009. While there, Mary will teach Psychology and/or Leadership Fundamentals. She hopes to do doctoral research while there.

Mary hopes to empower high education students through teaching to use their talents to contribute to a positive social change in Kenya.

For more information on the Ambassadorial Scholarship, Kirchner Scholarship, and/or the University Teacher Grant Program, go to the District 6110 at Rotary International website or www.ri6110.org.

THE YOUTH EXCHANGE PROGRAM: South Central Rotary Youth Exchange has offered optional summer tours for their students for well over 20 years with trips to the East and West Coasts, and for over 10 years PDG Chuck and Nancy Frazier have planned those June tours including finding volunteers to be chaperones. This year some previous chaperones have indicated they will not be able to participate so we are looking for Rotarians and non-Rotarians (teachers, college students over 21, etc.) to fill positions for the June 2009 trips.

As Youth Exchange Students from this District may very likely be on one of these trips, we are making District 6110 Rotarians aware of the opportunity to provide service to these great students.

Chaperones receive paid transportation to/from the tour, double occupancy hotel accommodations with a same gender staff person, entrance to all events the students attend, and a per diem to cover the cost of meals. Dates for three trips scheduled Summer, 2009: West Tour A.....June 15 to 29, West Tour B.....June 12 to 26 . East Tour.....June 18 to July 2. Applications for chaperon positions on request to PDG Chuck Frazier, Box 1071, Emporia, KS 66801 (620-342-9016. Additional information available on District Website.

Editor's Corner

Rotarians Helping Rotarians

It was good to see so many Rotarian friends at the District Conference this past month. District Conference is the place for ALL Rotarians to learn about the world covering impact that Rotary has! District events make stronger ROTARIANS! Look for a District Conference Special Edition soon!



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We encourage submissions but assume no responsibility for unsolicited materials.

To send an address change, enclose your former address, zip code and Rotary Club and mail to Gene Roy at P.O. Box 3124, Bella Vista, AR 72715.

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Dear Fellow Rotarians,

We received the following request for help following Hurricane Ike:

As you know Rotary District 5910 was hit very heavy by Ike as our District contains Texas City, Galveston, Port Arthur, Beaumont and Orange along the South all the way North to Palestine, Texas.

All our clubs were heavily affected by the hurricane. We have a fund if anyone would like to donate to it to help out those hurt by Hurricane Ike.

Checks should be made to: Texas Area Fund Foundation, Inc. for credit to Rotary District 5019 Donor Advised Fund.

Please mail your checks to PDG-5910 A. Hugh Summers, District 5910 Emergency Response Chairman, P.O. Box 1399, Palestine, Texas 75802-1399. Check it out at www.ri6110.org.

All donations to this 501c3 foundation are tax deductible and a receipt will be sent to the donor.

OCTOBER GOVERNOR'S

VISITS

- 1st Bull Shoals-Lakeview
- 2nd Mountain Home
- 7th McAlester
- 8th Poteau
- 9th Van Buren
- 10th Booneville
- 14th Siloam Springs
- 14/15th Rogers Early Risers
- 15th Alma
- 16th Harrison
- 20th Will Rogers Tulsa
- 21st Claremore
- 22nd Henryetta
- 23rd Okmulgee
- 28th Ozark
- 29th Paris
- 29/30th River Valley
- 31st Greenwood

WHO WON THE MERCEDES?

MARGO MITCHELL, MEMBER OF THE TULSA ROTARY CLUB HAD THE WINNING TICKET. SHE WALKED AWAY WITH A \$25,000 CHECK WHICH WAS PRESENTED TO HER AT THE CLUB MEETING. THE PROCEEDS FROM THE RAFFLE GO TO KEEP THE MEDICAL SUPPLY NETWORK OPERATIONAL. A TRUE ROTARIAN, MARGO RETURNED \$500 TO MSNI. (PICTURED BELOW, BEN WINDHAM, MARGO, AND JACK MAXWELL.)



What's Happening in District 6110 Rotary Clubs



U.S. Navy Commander Scott Bureson (right) presents a plaque to Governor Ron Peterson.

The Rotary club of Mountain Home welcomed District 6110 Governor for their Governor's Visit. During his visit he accepted a plaque from Bureson, a Mountain Home Rotarian, on behalf of the Mobile Inshore Undersea Warfare Unit 202 of Newport, R.I. Bureson thanked those assembled for their support of the military in general, and his unit in particular. Last Christmas, the Mountain Home Rotarians adopted Bureson's unit which was deployed in support of Operation Freedom, with letters, gifts, and care packages.

On June 2, 2008, a new "sunrise" broke through. The newly formed **BELLA VISTA SUNRISE ROTARY CLUB** received its official charter and celebrated with their charter banquet at Concordia Retirement Center. (See pictures in the September *Rotarian NairatoR*.) The club's formation was sponsored by the Bentonville Bella Vista Rotary Club and spearheaded by Brent Leas. John Hutchinson, President of the new club, accepted the charter on behalf of the club, representing the Bella Vista community. Many gifts were presented by area clubs. Following the high-spirited event, social hour and sumptuous dinner, the guests and club members recited the Rotarian Four-Way Test. All were invited to come join us and make a difference in our world with each new "SUNRISE".

Rotary Members Expose Japanese Visitors to America (Article from the Northwest Arkansas Times)

Learning about each other was why Fayetteville Rotarians and their families shared time with five visitors from Japan. Hiroko Inoue, who works in an advertising agency; Ikumi Osawa, a social worker for mentally handicapped people; Toshiko Sano, who teaches English to Japanese children; Junji Asaba, a police officer; and Keiko Sato, the owner of a custom Harley-Davidson shop, visited Fayetteville through the Rotary Foundation's Group Study Exchange program.

"They want to understand us and how we feel," said Larry Long of Fayetteville, Group Study Exchange committee chairman for the club. Each of the visitors will have the opportunity to meet professionals in their fields during their tours of NW Arkansas, Oklahoma, Kansas and Missouri.

Asaba wants to learn about aspects of police administration so he can tell police in Japan how police in the United States are doing their jobs. He will meet with policemen four or five times. Osawa is interested to learn "what the system is for mental illness in the United States" and hopes to use what she learns to create more acceptance for people with disabilities.

Because their visit to Fayetteville occurred mostly over the weekend, it involved the sights, such as the Botanical Garden of the Ozarks, local eateries and the Fayetteville Farmers' Market, rather than vocational visits. Long described the visit as a cultural exchange program. He said the exchange is like a painting of "who we are, what we do and how we live." Long said the exchange program leads to a mutual understanding and respect for each other's culture.

Sato, an eight-year Rotary member, wants to study English more during her visit. She hopes, too, that this exchange will help young people in both countries understand that to become leaders they need to explore many interests and have many experiences.

Osawa said she loves meeting and talking with new people because that is how she learns from others. It is her main reason for participating in the exchange program. "To my knowledge, the entire point of Rotary International is to improve quality of life all over the world", she said.



MAKE DREAMS REAL THROUGH MEMBERSHIP

**Presidential Membership
Conference**

Phoenix East/Mesa Hilton

January 9-10, 2009

**Meet RI International President
D.K. Lee and Young Ja**

Program Highlights:

Regional Membership Trends

Visioning

We Need to Change

**What is the Vision of Your Club
or District?**

Why is Retention so Difficult?

**Demographic and Attitudinal
Trends**

**How to Become a Younger
Rotary**

Sharing of Best Practices

Moving Forward

**For more information about this
membership conference, see the
District 6110 website**

www.ri6110.org

**HAS YOUR CLUB PAID YOUR SEMI-
ANNUAL DUES?**

BE SURE TO CHECK YOUR RECORDS.

Reminders from our 6110 DG

- **Round up Juniors for RYLA! March 26-29, 2009 at the Heart of the Hills Camp near Tahlequah, OK.**
- **Clubs should plan now for Family Month in December.**
- **Make Dreams Real for the worlds children, support a health, hunger, water and literacy project at home and/or abroad.**
- **Nominations are now being accepted for DG Nominees for 2011-12 Rotary year. Contact Terri Pollmiller for further information. Interviews will be held in December.**
- **It's time to tell local students about the Youth Exchange program which allows them to study overseas for a year of high school. Contact Paul Reagan for information.**
- **Dates to remember:**

October 15th, Membership Attendance Reports due to District Administrator

October 17th, Announce Four-Way Speech Contest to schools and media

October 26th, Youth Exchange Halloween Weekend in Fayetteville

November 1-30, Outbound GSE Team to Japan District 2620

November 7, Contact schools about RYLA and request nominations

November 6-11, Schedule program to commemorate Veterans Day

November 15th, Membership Reports due; District Governor nominations due; Rotary Foundation Distinguished Service Award nominations due to RI; Appoint Nominating Committee for next year's officers (President-Elect as Chair)

August		Membership	Net	Membership		Goals	7/1/07 - 07/31/08	Goal%
Club Name	Plan	July 31, 2008	Gain/Loss	Aug. 31, 2008	% Attendance		YTD Giving	Achieved
Alma	A	30	2	32	78%	500.00		
Aurora	A	26	0	26	69%	2600.00		
Bartlesville	A	167	-3	164	68%	17500.00	1,000.00	6%
Bartlesville Daybreak	B	86	-1	85	67%	8000.00	755.00	9%
Bella Vista Sunrise	C	20	0	20		2000.00	465.00	23%
Bentonville	A	95	1	96	57%	10500.00		
Bentonville/BV Daybreak	B	43	1	44	82%	4600.00	4,535.00	99%
Berryville	A	31	1	32	63%	1600.00	80.00	5%
Bixby	A	101	-5	96	65%	12500.00	1,038.00	8%
Booneville	A	33	-2	31	67%	2500.00		
Bristow	A	30	0	30	65%	1500.00		
Broken Arrow	A	76	0	76	73%	7600.00	440.00	6%
Bull Shoals-Lakeview	A	42	0	42	79%	2700.00	400.00	15
Carthage	C	97	6	103	47%	4750.00		
Cassville	A	54	1	55	58%	2650.00		
Chanute	A	28	2	30	65%	3100.00	100.00	3%
Claremore	A	72	0	72	47%	7700.00		
Claremore Reveille	B	37	-1	36	75%	3700.00	630.00	17%
Coffeyville	A	62	-1	61	53%	4725.00	275.00	6%
Drumright	A	14	0	14	73%	200.00		
Eureka Springs	B	61	0	61	70%	6500.00	2,100.00	32%
Fayetteville	A	213	1	214	63%	25300.00	5,714.85	23%
Fort Scott	A	61	-1	60	45%		30.00	
Fort Smith	A	136	-3	133	55%	14000.00	100.00	1%
Fort Smith Southside	A	29	1	30	76%	3000.00	25.00	1%
Fredonia	A	29	0	29	61%	640.00		
Frontenac	A	32	0	32	63%	1650.00		
Greenwood	A	33	0	33	49%	950.00		
Grove	A	98	3	101	62%	10200.00	1,565.00	15%
Harrison	A	91	0	91	57%		300.00	
Henryetta	A	15	0	15		225.00		
Holiday Island	A	20	-2	18	78%			
Humboldt	A	17	0	17	57%	360.00		
Independence	A	60	-1	59	34%	6600.00	283.34	4%
Iola	A	55	2	57	44%	6400.00	919.00	14%
Joplin	A	115	0	115	60%	12600.00	1,483.00	12%
Joplin Daybreak	B	69	-2	67	57%	2450.00	200.00	8%
Lamar	A	49	-1	48	94%	2500.00		
McAlester	A	75	0	75	54%	8300.00	100.00	1%
Miami	A	75	0	75	64%	7700.00	25.00	
Mid-Marion County	A	31	1	32	70%	3000.00	100.00	3%
Mountain Home	A	100	1	101	65%	5300.00	100.00	2%
Mt. Vernon	A	27	1	28	58%	2800.00	(950.00)	-34%
Muskogee	A	104	1	105	50%	7200.00		
Neodesha	A	19	-1	18	61%	2850.00		
Neosho	A	60	7	67	61%	300.00	25.00	8%
Nevada	A	89	-4	85	48%	57850.00		
North Tulsa	A	23	0	23		1900.00	75.00	4%
Northside Fayetteville	A	106	-4	102	56%	10600.00	250.00	2%
Nowata	B	12	0	12	50%	1400.00	50.00	4%
Okmulgee	A	27	0	27		2800.00	50.00	2%
Oswego	A	11	0	11	75%	1000.00	75.00	8%
Owasso	A	30	-3	27	73%	3200.00	20.00	1%
Ozark	A	30	0	30	76%	1500.00	50.00	3%
Paris	A	31	0	31	61%	150.00		
Parsons	A	39	1	40	16%	3075.00	45.00	1%
Pittsburg	A	86	-2	84	84%	8200.00	35.00	
Pittsburg Sunrise	B	45	0	45	90%	4600.00	25.00	1%
Poteau	A	40	-2	38	65%		76.68	
Pryor	A	43	0	43			168.00	
River Valley		23	2	25	56%	2000.00		
Rogers	A	130	0	130	74%	13200.00	1,194.50	9%
Rogers Early Risers	B	46	1	47	63%	5000.00	145.00	3%
Sand Springs	A	128	1	129	53%	10000.00	400.00	4%
Sapulpa	A	62	0	62	48%	6300.00		
Siloam Springs	A	56	-1	55	56%	3300.00		
Sklatook	A	14	0	14		2000.00		
Southeast Tulsa	A	60	-2	58	87%	4.00	545.00	10%
Southside Tulsa	A	57	1	58	85%	6100.00	1,085.00	18%
Springdale	A	227	-4	223	64%	70000.00	3,386.66	6%
Tahlequah-Cherokee Co	A	33	4	37	57%	2000.00		
Tulsa	A	502	-4	498	61%	24500.00	1,156.66	4%
Tulsa Midtown	A	25	0	25		2700.00	325.00	12%
Tulsa Sunrise	B	71	0	71	69%	7500.00	295.00	4%
Van Buren	A	50	0	50	49%	1000.00		
Vinita	A	55	0	55		5300.00	1,877.00	35%
Wagoner	A	33	-2	31	53%	3200.00	100.00	3%
Webb City-Carl Junction	A	50	0	50	62%			
Will Rogers (Tulsa)	A	60	0	60	53%	5500.00	250.00	5%
District 6110								
		5112	-10	5102	63%	497,629.00		